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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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Application No.: 09/358,407) Group Art Unit: 2676
Filed: July 22, 1999)
For: IMAGE PROCESSING)
APPARATUS AND METHOD : October 29, 2004

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P.O. Box 1450
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DUPLICATE THIRD INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

A Third Information Disclosure Statement was filed via facsimile on the same date as this paper. The Third Information Disclosure Statement was accompanied by a Petition to Withdraw From Issue Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.313(c), a Request for Continued Examination, and a Preliminary Amendment, all filed via facsimile. It is noted that since the Third Information Disclosure Statement was filed with the other papers via facsimile, the Third Information Disclosure Statement was not accompanied by copies of the documents listed on the Form PTO-1449 submitted therewith. In a telephone

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conference between Karen Creasy of the Petitions Branch and Applicant's undersigned attorney, it was communicated by Ms. Creasy that the Form PTO-1449 submitted with the Third Information Disclosure Statement would suffice and copies of the listed documents could follow by mail. Applicant is hereby complying with that instruction by submitting this Duplicate Third Information Disclosure Statement, along with copies of the listed documents.

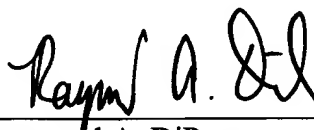
In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents, as well as a copy of a Japanese Office Action citing those documents, are also enclosed. It is noted that these documents were first cited in any counterpart of this application, in that Japanese Office Action, which is dated September 13, 2004

The concise explanation of relevance for the non-English documents is given in the attached English abstracts. It is understood that only the first- and second-listed Japanese documents, and the one listed PCT document, were made the basis of rejections by the Japanese examiner.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

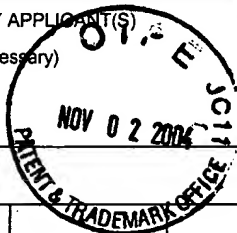
Respectfully submitted,

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		DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION YES/NO/ OR ABSTRACT
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OTHER DOCUMENT(S) (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

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